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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: ARMY HOUSING: DURAHOME

REF: LAGOS 2214

1. MAJOR EXPORT PROJECTS DIVISION TALKED WITH MR. RAMON IRIGOYEN UPON HIS RETURN TO THE US ON THURSDAY THE TWENTY XIXTH. HE PROVIDED US WITH THE FOLLOWING INFO: (A) IT IS A TWO MAN FIRM AND HAS BEEN INCORPORATED IN THE US FOR ONE YEAR ONLY. (FLORIDA INCORPORATION). (B) THE FIRM HAS BEEN IN EXISTENCE IN PUERTO RICO FOR THREE YEARS. IN PUERTO RICO THEY HAVE A CONTRACT WITH THE GOVERNMENT FOR 2500 UNITS MORE THAN 2000 OF WHICH ARE COMPLETE. (C) THEY ARE APPLYING FOR VARIOUS PERMITS IN FLORIDA AND HAVE RECEIVED APPROVAL OF METROPOLITAN BAY COUNTY DEPARTMENT. AT THIS TIME THEY HAVE ERECTED TWO MODEL HOUSES AND ARE AWAITING FINAL APPROVALS. (D) THEIR TECHNIQUE INVOLVES ASBESTOS CEMENT WALL AND ROOF UNITS WHICH THEY WOULD SHIP OVER. THEY WOULD NOT ATTEMPT TO SET UP A FACTORY BECAUSE THEY WISH TO BID FOR ONLY ONE BATTALION AT THIS TIME. THE EXPECTATION IS THAT IN THREE OR FOUR MONTHS THE MOD WOULD DECIDE IF IT LIKED WHAT WAS BEING DONE AND COULD DECIDE TO AWARD DURAHOME FURTHER UNCLASSIFIED

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2. IN AN ATTEMPT TO BE THOROUGH WE CONTACTED A LEADING MERCANTILE REPORTING AGENCY BUT THEIR RECORD WAS DATED JULY 1975 AND PROVIDED NO USEFUL INFO. THIS IS TO BE EXPECTED

SINCE DURAHOME WAS BRAND NEW IN THE US AT THAT TIME. WE ALSO CHECKED THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUT DURAHOME IS NOT A MEMBER. HOPE ABOVE INFORMATION WILL BE ADEQUATE TO EMBASSY'S NEEDS. INGERSOLL

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